

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks
EXTERNAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Position Title: Fisheries Technician

Position Number(s): 93832, 93843

Number of Openings: 10

Department: Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Division: Fish and Wildlife

Bureau: Fisheries

Date Posted: Feb 26, 2015

Closing Date: Open until filled

Location (city): Billings, Bozeman, Helena, Kalispell, Missoula

Job Status: Full Time Short Term Worker

Band: 3

Salary: \$11.00/hour

Union: None

Work Shift: Daytime

State Job Application Required: No

Special Information

Job requires working and camping outdoors in often inclement weather. Applicants must be able to travel long distances away from home four days a week, work evenings and weekends, be able to stand for long periods of time, and be able to lift 50 lbs. Camping equipment is not provided or replaced in case of theft or breakage, but workers are given per-diem and \$12/night bonus when camping away from home. Applicants must be able to attend a three-day training in Helena May 18-20. Travel to and from training is the applicants responsibility and will not be reimbursed. However, food will be provided during the training and lodging will be reimbursed following the training for those living more than 60 miles from Helena. The work season runs from May 21-August 30. Preference will be given to those able to work the entire season. Please include any required time off with job application.

Duties:

Watercraft inspectors work with the public by setting up watercraft inspection stations in various (often remote) locations, inspecting watercraft, conducting interviews, and providing outreach about the threat of aquatic invasive species. Inspectors must also be able to operate pressure-washers and decontamination units, training will be provided. Driving a state-supplied truck is required at most locations. Some basic

water sampling may be included. Roving crews are required to camp at designated sites when traveling to remote locations.

Qualifications:

Applicants must have excellent communication, interpersonal, critical thinking and problem solving skills. The ability to effectively interact with the public, follow program protocols, maintain good working relationships with coworkers, and keep detailed, accurate records is required. The ability to camp in remote locations is critical. A science background or general knowledge of fish and wildlife biology is highly desired, but not required. A general understanding of FWP fishing and hunting regulations is preferred. Experience with small engines (gas and diesel), manual transmission, and driving a 4WD vehicle is also preferred.

Education/Experience:

High school diploma or equivalent. Must be 18 years of age or older with a valid driver's license.

Supplemental Questions:

1. FWP's ad campaign in regards to Aquatic Invasive Species is "Inspect, Clean, and Dry". Please describe how you would explain this campaign to the public in your own words.
2. A member of the public tells you that the watercraft inspection program is a waste of their time and taxpayer dollars. How would you respond?
3. What is your FIRST choice of duty station? If your first choice is full, would you like to be considered for any other stations? If so, which ones? How far are you willing to commute?

Additional Materials Required:

Resume

Cover Letter

Authorization to release information (check all that apply) By submission of application, applicant agrees to the following:

Driving Record Check

TO APPLY PLEASE SUBMIT RESUME, COVER LETTER AND SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS TO:

Linnaea Schroeer at lschroeer@mt.gov

Or by mail at:

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks
Attention: Linnaea Schroeer

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